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**NOTICE AND DESCRIPTION OF SHELLFISH AREA CONDEMNATION
NUMBER 063-046, LOWER NANSEMOND RIVER**

EFFECTIVE 15 OCTOBER 2025

Pursuant to Title 28.2, Chapter 8, §§28.2-803 through 28.2-808, §32.1-20, and §2.2-4002, B.16 of the Code of Virginia:

1. The "Notice and Description of Shellfish Area Condemnation Number 063-046, Lower Nansemond River," effective 15 September 2024, is cancelled effective 15 October 2025.
2. Condemned Shellfish Area Number 063-046, shown as Sections A through C, is hereby established, effective 15 October 2025. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to take shellfish from these areas for any purpose, except by permit granted by the Marine Resources Commission, as provided in Section 28.2-810 of the Code of Virginia. The boundaries of these areas are shown on the map titled "Lower Nansemond River, Condemned Shellfish Area Number 063-046, 15 October 2025" which is part of this notice.
3. Conditionally Approved Shellfish Area (Closed Status) Number 063-046, shown as Sections M1 and M2, is established effective 15 October 2025. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to take shellfish from these areas during such period for any purpose while in the closed status, except by permit granted by the Marine Resources Commission, as provided in § 28.2-810 of the Code of Virginia. The boundaries of these areas are shown on the map titled "Lower Nansemond River, Condemned Shellfish Area Number 063-046, 15 October 2025" which is part of this notice.
4. The Department of Health will receive, consider and respond to petitions by any interested person at any time with respect to reconsideration or revision of this order.

BOUNDARIES OF CONDEMNED AREA NUMBER 063-046

- A. The condemned area shall include all of Bennett Creek and its tributaries upstream of a line drawn from latitude / longitude map coordinate (36°52'44.3", -76°29'04.1") to map coordinate (36°52'47.7", -76°28'47.0") as well as a second line from map coordinate (36°52'53.9", -76°28'34.4") to map coordinate (36°52'54.2", -76°28'32.1").
- B. The condemned area shall include all of Bleakhorn Creek and its tributaries upstream of a line drawn from latitude / longitude map coordinate (36°54'40.9", -76°28'52.3") to map coordinate (36°54'38.8", -76°28'53.1").

- C. The condemned area shall include all of Knotts Creek and its tributaries upstream of a line drawn from latitude / longitude map coordinate (36°53'02.5",-76°27'35.4") to map coordinate (36°53'27.5",-76°27'14.3").
- M1. The conditionally approved area (closed status) shall include that portion of Bennetts Creek inland of a line drawn between latitude / longitude map coordinate (36°52'30.2",-76°29'02.6"), map coordinate (36°52'30.3",-76°29'00.2"), map coordinate (36°52'23.0",-76°29'00.2"), and map coordinate (36°52'23.1",-76°29'02.5"); and is shown as part of Section A.
- M2. The conditionally approved area (closed status) shall include that portion of Bennetts Creek upstream of a line drawn between latitude / longitude map coordinate (36°51'58.9",-76°28'44.8") and map coordinate (36°51'58.5",-76°28'41.1"); as well as downstream of a second line drawn between map coordinate (36°51'48.1",-76°28'45.5") and map coordinate (36°51'47.6",-76°28'41.1"); and is shown as part of Section A.

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Oct 7, 2025

Date

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